



AS APPROVED 4/11/2011

**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

SUMMARIZED MINUTES

**5:00 p.m. Monday, March 14, 2011
Human Resources Pinnacle Training Room
7575 E. Main Street
Scottsdale, Arizona**

Present: Linda Simmons (Vice-Chair)
Bob Fox
Susan Galpin
Kuros Lamé
Joel Martin

Absent: Jeff Jameson (Chair)
Edward Lopez

Guests: Carolina Butler, Scottsdale Resident

Staff: Linda Walton, Staff Liaison
Susanne Quinet, Staff Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Simmons called the meeting to order at approximately 5:09pm.

ROLL CALL – Jeff Jameson, Chair; Linda Simmons, Vice-Chair; Susan Galpin; Bob Fox; Kuros Lamé; Edward Lopez; Joel Martin

Present: Linda Simmons, Vice-Chair; Susan Galpin; Bob Fox; Kuros Lamé; Joel Martin arrived@ 5:16pm



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1. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED: 4-0, Commissioner Galpin moved to approve the minutes of February 14, 2011 meeting, and seconded by Commissioner Lamé.

2. DISCUSSION ON STRATEGY TO ADDRESSING DIVERSITY IN OUR COMMUNITY MORE EFFECTIVELY

Commission discussed possible alternatives to SB1070.

APPROVED: 5-0, motion to consolidate learnings from the fact-finding process, prepare a document and present the findings to Council with a recommended plan of action. Moved by Commissioner Martin and seconded by Commissioner Galpin.

Vice-Chair Simmons welcomed a Scottsdale resident, Carolina Butler. Ms. Butler presented the Commission with a newspaper article, and a copy of the resolution that was recently passed by the Inner Tribal Council of Arizona, in regards to the SB1070.

3. BOARDS AND COMMISSION AUDIT FOLLOW-UP

Linda Walton reported that Chair Jameson's response to the Council Report on Boards and Commissions audit was sent to Janet Secor to be presented to the City Council.

4. COMMISSION BROCHURE/OUTREACH STRATEGY

Commissioner Galpin provided the commission with copies of the proposed HRC brochure.

APPROVED: 5-0, motion to send the draft of the brochure to the City Graphics or Communication Department, to develop a final draft for the Commission. Moved by Commissioner Galpin and Seconded by Commissioner Martin.

Commissioner Martin suggested inclusion of information on the contribution of different groups of people to the formation of City's diverse background, which in terms of tourism, will help increase the awareness of those browsing the website about the community's diverse background.

5. CROSS CULTURAL COMMUNICATION SERIES

Linda Walton reported that the final program of this series are scheduled in April 2011.

Commissioner Lamé asked if funds will be available for next year's Cross Cultural events. Ms.



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Walton responded that the funds are still in the budget for next fiscal year, assuming that the proposed budget is approved by the Council.

6. CHAIRMAN REPORTS

ON behalf of Chair Jameson and the rest of the commission, Vice-Chair Simmons presented Commissioner Lamé with the HRC years of service departing gift. She also expressed the commission's gratitude for Commissioner Lamé service.

7. COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Commissioner Martin reported that she had extended an invitation to the Business Development executive of the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce, and the CEO from an Asian-American Professional non-profit organization, to attend a future commission meeting. She also requested Commissioner Lamé's feedback and suggestions about the commission, in order to help the commission build a stronger foundation.

Commissioner Lamé expressed his pleasure in serving the commission and commended the commissioners on their credibility and service.

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC (A.R.S. § 38-431.02):

Ms. Butler presented the commission with flyers for two events, and invited the commission to attend. The first flyer was for the annual ceremony of the Historic Railroad People at Old Tucson, on Sunday, March 20, 2011, honoring the families of the historic railroad people for their contribution to the development of the state of Arizona. The 2nd flyer was on the Story of Orme Dam event on April 26, 2011, at the Irish Cultural Center in Phoenix.

8. STAFF LIAISON ITEMS

Linda Walton talked about the City's proposed new organizational structure. She also distributed the annual Diversity calendars, and reported that the HRC e-mail is once again open and active. Ms. Walton also relayed the Anti-Defamation League's message to the commissioners, to let the ADL know if they are aware of any group or organization that would like to become a financial sponsor for the Scottsdale Unified School District's diversity education program. She also extended an invitation to the commission for the annual Asian Chamber of Commerce Dinner on Saturday, March 19, 2011, at the Talking Stick Resort.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:35pm.



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